

Regarding SB946.

With all due respect,

I am a taxpayer and homeowner in Union, CT. I am also retired, a disabled veteran, and a strong supporter of our Constitution, believing that we are all responsible and accountable for our actions, including the impact of our actions on others.

I STRONGLY urge that fiscal responsibility and accountability be the primary focus of your committee. You must work diligently to rein in the exorbitant taxation and spending that is crippling our State. We need smaller government and citizens taking more responsibility for their own welfare. The citizens of Connecticut cannot afford the present tax levels and we all need to cut back. We cannot afford the salary and benefit packages of big government. We cannot afford any programs that undermine the individual's sense of direction and purpose, especially those programs that try to liberally take from those who have worked hard for their wealth, only to redistribute that wealth to people who are not willing to get off their backsides and work for a living.

I have no problem with assistance programs that facilitate learning, increased skill sets, and honing of citizen skills, but not unless there is some kind of public service attached to the granting of assistance in such a way that the public welfare and soniety are genuinely benefitted. NO FREE RIDES for anyone unless those individuals are truly handicapped in such a manner as they are unable to fend for themselves, or need sheltered environs, or if they have already given selflessly to society, as combat veterans, first responders, and such.

We MUST balance the budget, stop stealing from Peter to pay Paul, and stop mortgaging the futures of our progeny. Each generation in this state MUST learn to curb its appetites and pay its own fare, without burdening the next and future generations.

Contact me if you have any questions.

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Hope in Salvation: <http://www.godssimpleplan.org/gsp.html>
Respect for History: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HVz_j0DzuEk
Voice In The Wilderness: www.craigszwed.blogspot.com
My Arts & Values: www.craigszwed.net

Life Member:
281st Assault Helicopter Co. Association
Disabled American Veterans
Military Order of the Purple Heart
National Rifle Association
Member:

Connecticut Carry (Volunteer Editor)
Connecticut Citizens Defense League
National Association for Gun Rights
Oath Keepers
The American Legion
United States Concealed Carry Association

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Real courage, in all things great or small, is nothing more, or less,
than simply doing what is right, in spite of feelings, personal interests,
or circumstances. (Craig M. Szwed, 2013)